

REMARKS

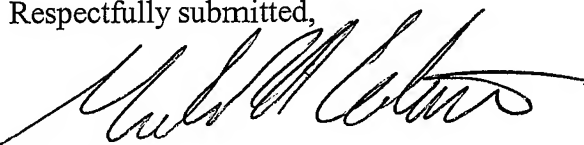
Claims 1-5 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. Section 103(a) as being unpatentable over Takemura. Claim 1 has been amended to include all of the limitations of claims 6 and 9. Thus, it is believed that amended claim 1 and all claims dependent thereon are patentable.

Claims 1-5, 10-16 and 18 were rejected under the judicially created obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-9 and 22-28 of U.S. Patent Number 6159110. Applicants have filed a terminal disclaimer for U.S. Patent Number 6159110.

It is believed that the claims are now allowable. The Applicants therefore respectfully solicit a Notice of Allowance.

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Respectfully submitted,



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